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Honorable Assistant Commissioner of Patents
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Sir:

POWER OF ATTORNEY

EXABYTE CORPORATION, assignee of the above-identified patent application, hereby appoints the members of the firm of NIXON & VANDERHYE, P.C., 1100 North Glebe Rd., 8th Floor, Arlington, VA 22201-4714, telephone number (703) 816-4000 (to whom all communications are to be directed), and the following attorneys thereof (of the same address) individually and collectively our attorneys to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith and with the resulting patent: Larry S. Nixon, 25640; Arthur R. Crawford, 25327; James T. Hosmer, 30184; Robert W. Faris, 31352; Richard G. Besha, 22770; Mark E. Nusbaum, 32348; Michael J. Keenan, 32106; Bryan H. Davidson, 30251; Stanley C. Spooner, 27393; Leonard C. Mitchard, 29009; Duane M. Byers, 33363; Jeffry H. Nelson, 30481; John R. Lastova, 33149; H. Warren Burnam, Jr. 29366; Mary J. Wilson, 32955; J. Scott Davidson, 33489; Alan M. Kagen, 36178; Robert A. Molan, 29834; B. J. Sadoff, 36663; James D. Berquist, 34776; Updeep S. Gill, 37334; Michael J. Shea, 34725; Donald L. Jackson, 41090; Michelle N. Lester, 32331; Frank P. Presta, 19828; Joseph S. Presta,

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I hereby certify that the Assignment document filed with the application or filed subsequent to the filing date of the application, has been reviewed and I hereby certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, title is with MEDIA IDENTIFICATION FOR MAGNETIC TAPE DRIVE.

EXABYTE CORPORATIONDated: January 18, 2002By: 

William L. Marriner

President and Chief Executive Officer

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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, **Leif Skaar** (hereinafter ASSIGNOR) of **Denver, Colorado**, has invented a certain improvement in **Media Identification for Magnetic Tape Drive** for which a so-entitled application for Letters Patent was filed in the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a patent application on March 8, 1999 and afforded serial no. 09/263,833 and for which a continuation-in-part application for Letters Patent is filed concurrently herewith in the United States Patent and Trademark Office;

WHEREAS, **Exabyte Corporation** (hereinafter ASSIGNEE), a corporation of the State of Colorado, having an office and place of business at 1685 38th Street, Boulder, Colorado 80301, is desirous of acquiring an interest therein;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of Ten Dollars (\$10.00) and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the ASSIGNOR by these presents hereby sells, assigns, and transfers unto the ASSIGNEE, its successors, assigns, and legal representatives, the aforesaid application(s) and the full and exclusive right to the invention and improvements therein in the United States and all foreign countries, as described in the aforesaid application, together with the right of priority under the International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property, Inter-American Convention Relating to Patents, Designs and Industrial Models, and any other international agreements to which the United States of America adheres, and hereby authorizes and requests the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue any Letters Patent or Patents claiming priority or resulting from the aforesaid application to ASSIGNEE, for its interest as ASSIGNEE, for the sole use and behoof of ASSIGNEE, its successors, assigns, and legal representatives. It is understood and agreed that ASSIGNEE'S attorneys Nixon & Vanderhye P.C. have represented only ASSIGNEE and will continue to represent only ASSIGNEE with respect to this invention;

ASSIGNOR hereby agrees to assist in the preparation of and hereby assigns a like interest to said ASSIGNEE, its successors, assigns, and legal representatives, without further remuneration, any continuation, continuation-in-part, divisional, reissue, or foreign application claiming priority from the aforesaid application or otherwise growing out of or related to the invention; and to execute any papers by ASSIGNEE, its successors, assigns, and legal representatives necessary to ASSIGNEE's full protection and title in and to the invention hereby transferred.

ASSIGNOR specifically agrees, upon request of ASSIGNEE, and without further remuneration, to execute any and all papers desired by ASSIGNEE for the filing and

granting of foreign applications and the perfecting of title thereto in ASSIGNEE.

AGREED and executed as noted below:

1/17/02
Date

Leif Skaar
Leif Skaar

COUNTY OF Boulder)

SS.

STATE OF Colorado)

On this 17th day of November 2002, Leif Skaar, appeared before me personally and acknowledged to me that he executed the foregoing Assignment as a free act and deed for the uses and purposes therein set forth.

My Commission Expires: 12/16/03

Kathleen A. Jump
Notary Public

